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A Tale of Two Cities

'It is a far, far better thing we do, than Australian soccer has ever done ...'

Since its inception, the Philips Soccer League has placed high on its list of priorities the encouragement of the development of soccer in areas where the code has shown all the potential for growth but where extra stimulus, initiative and enterprise have been demanded. The visit of Newcastle KB United gives us the opportunity today to reflect on the achievements by Newcastle and Canberra in the short history of the PSL.

Newcastle KB United entered the PSL competition in 1978. But the history of soccer in the Newcastle district is the history of the commencement in Australia of the round ball game on an organised competitive basis. The fact is that in 1880 the first organised soccer matches in Australia were held in Newcastle. Since that time, soccer has continued to prosper in the area, but it was obvious in recent years that an united effort was necessary to draw the various groups together in the district, in much the same way as Canberra City has become a focal point for soccer activity in the ACT. That move came at a meeting on 1 August 1977 at the International Sports Centre when the plans for the entry of Newcastle into the PSL were formulated. With its admission to the League has come for Newcastle what some people would describe as a fairytale adventure. But hard-headed, experienced sports organisation operators know better: what we see in Newcastle is the result of sheer, hard slog and dedication to a cause. You only get out of something what you put into it. The success of Newcastle KB United is testimony of the herculean effort of administrators and supporters in the industrial capital of Australia.

Some facts about our visitors serve quickly to illustrate the achievements that are their proud record. Newcastle attracts the biggest PSL support. This season it has set an all time record attendance for an Australian PSL match. No fewer than 18,367 fans turned out to watch its clash against Sydney Olympic. At its match against

Heidelberg United two weeks ago, Newcastle broke through the 100,000 attendance mark for the season and the 250,000th paying customer also passed through the gates. Striker Kenny Boden was last year voted the player of the year by the Soccer Writers Association. The team defeated Dundee, the touring Scottish first division side and an Australian XI. In both years it has reached the Philips Cup semi final. How regrettable that Newcastle should have lost last week on penalties. Disruption to the season may be caused but for what it is worth I much favour a replay in such an important competition. And just think, if Newcastle had won that match and the final had been played at the ISC, there is every reason to believe that a crowd of 20,000 would have been in attendance for the game.

From the above information which hardly starts to do justice to Newcastle's enterprise, many favourable comparisons can be drawn with Canberra's development. And when the respective populations are considered, the picture is not so bad for Canberra proportionately, despite the disappointing drop in attendances recently. Perhaps Sunday play next season, if that is possible, could be a major part of the solution. Two other points should be made about the sides. The first is the important reliance placed on young players by both teams. This has to a large extent been forced on the clubs by the very fact that they are starting from scratch. But what wonderful evidence they field today of the explosion that should take place in Australian soccer from its own sources in the next few years. Look at the under 19 internationals in the team squads today — Peter Tredinnick, Neal Endiacott, Danny Moulis, Mike Milovanovic, Steve Hogg and Malcolm McClelland who almost made it to South America. Mike Boogaard and Brett Cowburn are two others to watch in the future. An advantage that Newcastle has had over Canberra City this year is that its team has been reasonably settled and not

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Cover Picture: 'Getting to the seat of the problem' — Danny Moulis and Billy Wilkinson, Canberra City versus Brisbane City, Bruce Stadium, 28 July 1979

Photo by Vladimir Stojanovic

Match Statistics

PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE

	AGGREGATE								HOME								AWAY							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	BP	TP	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P
Marconi	21	12	6	3	47	24	30	4	34	11	5	4	2	21	16	14	10	7	2	1	26	8	16	
Brisbane City	20	10	5	5	29	21	25	-1	26	10	6	2	2	15	6	14	10	4	3	3	14	15	11	
Sydney City	19	11	2	6	36	23	24	1	25	9	5	-	4	20	16	10	10	6	2	2	16	7	14	
Adelaide City	20	9	6	5	34	24	24	1	25	9	3	3	3	11	12	9	11	6	3	2	23	12	15	
Heidelberg Untd	19	9	5	5	31	23	23	1	24	9	5	3	1	15	9	13	10	4	2	4	16	14	10	
Newcastle KB Untd	20	8	7	5	30	23	23	-	23	10	5	3	2	17	9	13	10	3	4	3	13	14	10	
West Adelaide	21	9	4	8	27	26	22	1	23	11	6	2	3	17	9	14	10	3	2	5	10	17	8	
APIA-Leichhardt	20	9	3	8	24	24	21	-	21	10	4	2	4	12	12	10	10	5	1	4	12	12	10	
Canberra City	20	6	7	7	22	26	19	-	19	9	2	4	3	9	11	8	11	4	3	4	13	14	11	
Sydney Olympic	20	7	3	10	22	24	17	-	17	10	2	2	6	8	13	6	10	5	1	4	14	11	11	
Footscray	20	6	2	12	21	34	14	-	14	11	4	1	6	12	18	9	9	2	1	6	8	16	5	
Brisbane Lions	19	6	2	11	20	34	14	-	14	10	3	-	7	13	23	6	9	3	2	4	7	11	8	
St George	19	4	4	11	21	38	12	-	12	9	2	2	5	9	17	6	10	2	2	6	12	21	6	
Sth Melbourne	20	4	2	14	19	38	10	-	10	11	3	1	7	14	17	7	9	1	1	7	5	21	3	

BP: Bonus points for wins by 4 goals or more.
TP: Total points.

1979 FIXTURE LIST

ROUND TWENTY-ONE

Canberra City	v	Newcastle KB United
Brisbane Lions	v	APIA-Leichhardt
Adelaide City	v	Footscray
Sydney City	v	Brisbane City
Marconi 2	v	West Adelaide 1
St. George	v	South Melbourne
Heidelberg United	v	Sydney Olympic

ROUND TWENTY-TWO

Sydney Olympic	v	Canberra City
West Adelaide	v	St. George
Newcastle KB United	v	Brisbane Lions
APIA-Leichhardt	v	Sydney City
Brisbane City	v	Marconi
South Melbourne	v	Footscray
Heidelberg United	v	Adelaide City

ROUND NINETEEN

Canberra City 0	v	Brisbane City 0
Sydney City 2	v	South Melbourne 0
Adelaide City 1	v	St. George 1
Heidelberg United 2	v	APIA-Leichhardt 1
Brisbane Lions 2	v	West Adelaide 3
Marconi 0	v	Footscray 0
Sydney Olympic 1	v	Newcastle KB United 1

ROUND TWENTY

APIA-Leichhardt 3	v	Canberra City 0
South Melbourne 2	v	Marconi 1
Newcastle KB Untd 3	v	Heidelberg United 3
Brisbane City 0	v	Brisbane Lions 0
West Adelaide 0	v	Sydney City 2
Footscray 1	v	St. George 3
Sydney Olympic 1	v	Adelaide City 2

LAST COMPETITION MATCH

Canberra City v Sydney City
SUNDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER

OUR NEXT HOME MATCHES

Canberra City v Heidelberg United
SATURDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER

Canberra City v Adelaide City
SATURDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER

CANBERRA CITY v BRISBANE CITY

	First Half		Second Half		Total	
	CC	BC	CC	BC	CC	BC
Goals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penalties	0	0	0	0	0	0
Corners	1	1	6	4	7	5
Free Kicks	16	8	11	10	27	18
Shots	6	8	3	8	9	16
Saves	3	3	2	2	5	5
Goal Kicks	8	4	8	1	16	5
Throws In	20	9	13	10	33	19

PHILIPS CUP SEMI FINAL MATCHES

Canberra City 0 v Adelaide City 1
Newcastle KB United 0 v St. George 0
(St. George won on penalties 3-2)

CANBERRA CITY'S GOALSCORERS

PSL		Philips Cup	
Terry Byrne	9	Terry Byrne	4
Ivan Gruicic	3	Ivan Cruicic	2
John Davies	2	John Brown	1
Donald MacLaren	2	Jim Cant	1
Danny Moulis	2	Paul Fielding	1
Roy Stark	2	Danny Moulis	1
Paul Fielding	1	Roy Stark	1
Luis Salgado	1		

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Joe Arquero and Bernard Lustica, Canberra City Roos v Croatia Deakin,
Deakin Oval, 15 July, 1979

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CLUB NOTES

Welcome, Newcastle KB United! Having served both clubs in official capacities over the last 2 seasons, I am impressed with the remarkable similarity between the administrative, promotional and supporters set ups in them. Obviously, in these early, formative years of the Philips League, it is a wonderful tribute to both clubs that they stand alone as shining examples often used by Sir Arthur George as criteria for other clubs to follow and emulate. It has been rather disappointing in soccer administration that complaints have had to be made at PSL level about the lack of promotion and forethought and failure to extend basic hospitality on the part of other clubs in the League. I know that the Newcastle contingent, (5 busloads, 2 airline flights and numerous private travellers) have enjoyed a wonderful weekend of hospitality in Canberra.

JOBS FOR THE BOYS

Members, can you assist? The Club has employment problems. We appeal to our supporters for assistance in finding jobs for the following: Isaac Farrell, Donald MacLaren, Jim Cant. Come on, Canberra; please help!

PHILIPS DEEP FREEZE

Our super bonus prize — the Philips Deep Freeze — is sitting in the club just waiting for the last Friday of the month when the draw will be made from all those lucky people who have cracked or will crack a jackpot of \$10 or more in August when the BLUE AND GOLD lights are on. Each eligible person is given a voucher and

MUST be present at the drawing to claim the prize. The drawing will be between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. The giveaways of turkeys and chickens continue also when the Blue and Gold lights are blazing.

BLUE AND GOLD BALL

Thursday, 13 September is a lot closer than you imagine and the tickets for the social event of the year — the Blue and Gold Ball — are selling well. The Ball, to be attended by the Club's patron, Mr. Malcolm Fraser and his wife Tamie, will provide the best in entertainment and an excellent menu. There will be a full page devoted to the event in the next program with the announcement of the special guest star — one of the biggest names in the Australian entertainment industry. Tickets are now on sale at the Club at \$38 a double. This will be one event in the history of the Club that you must not miss. See you there!

STOP PRESS!! FATHER'S DAY DINNER

Hey, Mum, feeling sorry for the old man and want to do something for him on his special day? Well, as well as that, you MUST bring him to the Club for the grand FATHER'S DAY DINNER. It's on Father's Day from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and for a miserable \$5 you will get a roast beef dinner, followed by sweets, with lots and lots of burgundy flowing and music from a three piece band VARIETY. We are limited to 150 people for this function, so you had better be quick. Book at the Club or ring 48 8917.

MAX TALBOT
Secretary/Manager

SPORTS' TOGS GOAL INCENTIVE AWARD

Again, the Canberra City team stands the chance, by scoring three goals or more in its match against Newcastle KB United today, of earning \$90 a goal (\$270 for three and \$90 for each additional goal) thanks to the promotion by Bob Macaulay of the Sports' Togs Goal Incentive Award. The team won \$360 for its performance against South Melbourne (the award applies only to home matches) and the contributors from our last home match have renewed their offers. These are:

Sports' Togs	\$40
National Library Supporters Club	\$20
Morwood Motors	\$10
O'Connor Pharmacy	\$10
Ralph Westen	\$5
Amanda and Jamie Harris	\$5

Canberra City thanks Sports' Togs for its continued support in this scheme. Remember, Canberra City's Terry Byrne is manager of Sports' Togs of the Upper Level, Cooleman Court, Weston, and he is ready, willing and able to meet all your sporting needs. And so it's over to the team to earn those dollars as the goals are rattled in!

PLAYER OF THE MATCH AWARD

Each home match, the Canberra City Supporters Club presents the Player of the Match award. The winner after today's match will receive a dinner for two at Bogarts Tavern, 1st Level, Canberra Club Building, Marcus Clarke Street, Canberra City which offers excellent French cuisine, a fully licensed cocktail bar, dancing six nights a week, reasonable prices for group functions up to 110 people, lunch, dinner and supper services, and is open until 3 a.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Reservations may be made on 48 9495. The winner of the last award for his game against Brisbane City was Mike Milovanovic. Five previous awards made by the Supporters Club of dinner for two at Fredericks' Tudor Inn, Downstairs, Adelaide House, went to the following:

Roy Stark (Essendon Croatia)
Isaac Farrell (Footscray)
Ian Callaghan (Brisbane Lions)
Terry Byrne (St. George)
Donald MacLaren (South Melbourne)

The Supporters Club thanks Frederick's for its assistance and extends a warm welcome to Bogarts for carrying on the good work.

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subject to the incursions of British players who have disrupted the build-up which any coach would seek to achieve through a season in his team.

And that leads to the second point: The quality of the coaches of the teams. In Alan Vest and Vic Fernandez, the two City teams have men of above average ability in manipulating and inspiring their teams to reach greater heights. It is one thing for a club to buy the best, and have a manager or coach who unites them using their undoubted and world recognised talents. It is quite

another to be handed a bunch of raw recruits, interspersed with proven talent, and mould the mix into the formation that will achieve success in a competition such as the Philips League. In what they have achieved, both men deserve plaudits. The administrators behind them also are owed a debt by Australian soccer — a debt which will not easily be repaid. The fortunate thing for Australian soccer is that the reward for these people is in what they achieve by their contribution to the game. With more of their ilk, Australian soccer not only *will* but *must* succeed.

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HOME MATCH ATTENDANCES

Canberra City	v	Marconi	6,845
Canberra City	v	Footscray	7,321
Canberra City	v	West Adelaide	4,520
Canberra City	v	APIA-Leichhardt	4,860
Canberra City	v	Sydney-Olympic	5,170
Canberra City	v	Brisbane Lions	7,510
Canberra City	v	St George	3,220
Canberra City	v	South Melbourne	2,225
Canberra City	v	Brisbane City	3,378
Total			45,049

TOTAL AFTER 9 HOME MATCHES

1978	49,355
1977	16,250

**CANBERRA CITY v NEWCASTLE KB UNITED
(Results Record)**

1978	1979
Home . . . 2-2 draw	Away 2-0 win
Away 0-3 loss	

Prime Minister's Cup

1978	1979
Home 2-0 win	Away . . . 2-2 draw
Only one game in 1978	Return match to be played

DEFERRED MATCH RESULTS

Marconi 1	v	Canberra City 1
Heidelberg United 2	v	Footscray 1

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Vic Fernandez Comments



I must start by saying how pleased I am that Glen Havelock and Peter Cheyne have been selected in the 1979 Coca-Cola National Youth Squad, from whose ranks will be chosen the team to play in the 1981 world cup youth series in Australia. Their choice is wonderful for soccer in the ACT. When we add it to the honours achieved last year and this year by Steve Hogg, Mike Milovanovic and Danny Moulis, young players can see the opportunities that the future holds for them. We have some wonderful talent in the Roos, Wallabies and Colts teams. Peter Cheyne has been with us since the first under 16 team that I had in the ACT in 1977. He has worked hard for two years. He is very dedicated and now has been given his break. I picked Glen Havelock for the under 16s team last year and have been pleased to see his progress in the under 18 team. He joined our club this year and has had great games in various levels. The reward is personal to the boys but embraces soccer in Canberra too. Good luck to them.

While our match against Brisbane City was not a good one for the spectators to watch, the point that we gained was most valuable. Brisbane City was lying second in the competition and, if we had played reasonably good football, we could have taken both points. The main reason why we played as we did was that the midfield did not function. Ian Callaghan had his worst 45 minutes since he arrived here. John Davies was completely off his game. There was no connection with the forwards.

Many people have queried why I took Don MacLaren off. Sitting in the stand, you can easily pick the player who is playing the worst and think he should be changed. The point of view

from the coach's bench is much different. At the time when I made the change I knew that, if we had a more positive approach up front, the midfield could build up and the team function better. Don was not having a good game and he admits it. He was losing too many balls. About two minutes before he came off he did get a ball through and had a great shot, but one swallow does not make a spring. Had I taken John or Ian off, I would have had no midfield at all. I know people were upset by the change, but my endeavour was to make the team function as a whole and not as a half. The substitutions did not really assist either in the event. But the bright spot in the game was the wonderful performance of 'Mickey' Milovanovic. He had an awkward fellow to handle in Barry Kelso and he proved what a good player he is by the way he blotted Kelso out of the game.

And so to Marconi and our postponed match. I know that the Editor has prepared an extended feature on that day, so I will not bore you with too many details. But I must make some points. Many people recall the first match of the season against Marconi when we had that tremendous 3-1 win. While they have that game in their minds, they must understand that the return match was completely different. As the situation was different, the approach by Marconi and us was different. Marconi was on the top. They wanted to secure a fine win that night. In the earlier game, they were defensive and Sharne, Jankovics and Krncevic could not flow. This time, the emphasis was on attacking football. I knew we had to play possession football, keeping the ball as long as we could.

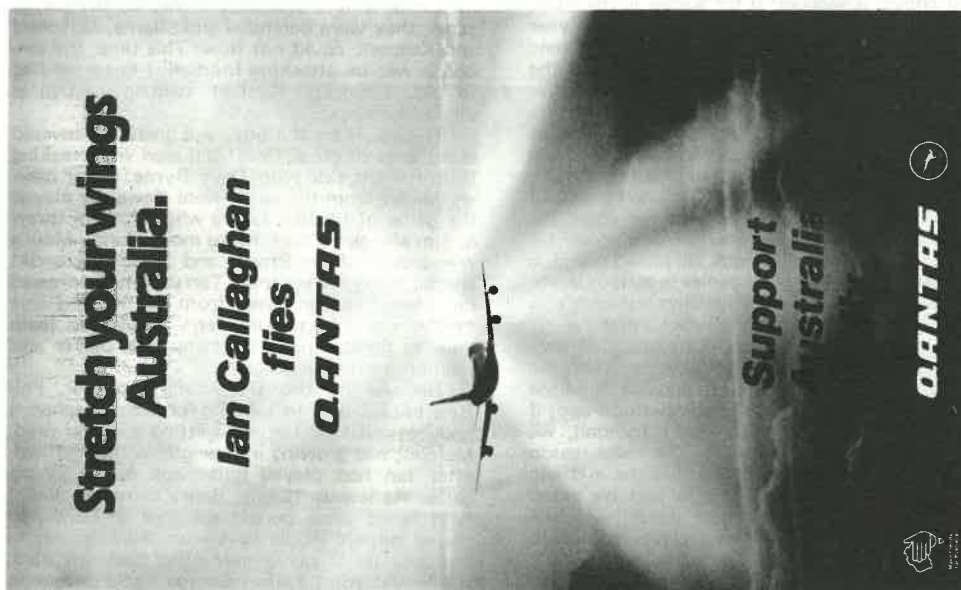
The effort by the boys was great. We covered every area of grass. Don MacLaren was breaking from the left side with Terry Byrne. Other players raided from the right. Keni Kawaleva played the game of his life, taking what Marconi threw at him and giving back heaps more. Danny Moulis was superb. John Brown and Steve Hoszowski and all the rest were solid. Terry Byrne impressed me. Marconi could sweep from our 18 yard area to theirs and frequently Terry would run from ours to theirs, tackle the rampaging player and then return to attack again.

Because he had the wrong footwear, Phil Reis missed out on subbing for Ian Callaghan. I had noticed that Ian was getting a little tired. Marconi was growing in strength in the midfield, after Ian had played quite well earlier in the game. As it was, George Bailey came on later. I have heard some people say that, if Cally had stayed on, we would have won. All I can say in response is: If my grandmother had not died, she would still be alive! George had a chance to score, something Ian would not have had. George was on the spot. That he missed is another of

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Photo: Warren Hudson



A Day in the Life of Coach Vic Fernandez

Part One

One of the delights in being editor of this journal this year has been the opportunity to form a close association with Canberra City's coach, Vic Fernandez. At all times, no matter what the pressures, Vic has always been available for consultation and comment and has been fearless in putting forward his views and never afraid to state reasons why certain actions have been taken. During this season, I have marvelled at the total commitment of the man to his task and the enormous burden that he has shouldered. Many people would be amazed at the complexities of the life of a coach and, with that thought in view, this article sets out the events of some 36 hours in Vic's life and also serves in a small way as a personal tribute to the man who has given his best, and then some, in the interests of the club and its players.

Wednesday, 1 August 1979

The dawning of a new day, the first in the month, and, for Vic Fernandez, the pathway to a new nationality. But that is not until 8.50. In a household with five children, there is no rest for dad from early morning — children Victor G., Claudia, Monica, Marcelo, and Jessica see to that. Vic follows a fitness routine, the value of which can be seen any time at training. Indeed, one comment from Ian Callaghan is quite pertinent in this respect. Ian said that what amazed him about Vic was that he was not still playing. 'He has the skills and the guile; and most importantly he is superbly fit', commented Cally, who is no slouch in the personal fitness stakes himself.

But tonight Canberra City is to play its deferred match against Marconi. And the Sydney sportswriters are on the phone early to get copy for the first editions of their papers which hit the streets just after 10 a.m. Vic is frank and gives no-nonsense answers. Not for him the ploy of some coaches of deviousness in dealings with the media: for this alone he is held in high esteem by those in journalistic ranks. David Jack, of the Sydney *Sun*, picks up the story of the naturalisation ceremony (Jack is on hand later in the evening to congratulate Vic personally) and headlines his article 'FAIR DINKUM! Vic warns PSL leaders'. He reports on the Australian citizenship and Vic's promise that his team will stretch Marconi to the limit. A prophet ahead of his time!

And then it's off to the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs for the all important naturalisation. One senses that, at its end, Vic was disappointed at the measure of informality the new approach contains. One thinks of the gatherings of old and the restrained 'pomp and circum-

stance' associated with what is for most people a moving experience. It is for Vic and the new citizenship is something of which he is deeply proud.

But his mind has no time for deep reflection at this time, for he is off to the club and final preparations for the trip — and the thousand and one contingencies that have been covered in previous days and must be checked on ... tickets, bookings, Callaghan has travelled down on Monday, dressing room requirements, last minute reports on players — and so it goes. At 12.15, Vic is back with the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, but this time to play in its regular match in the Public Service Soccer competition. And today, as if to celebrate the earlier event, Vic is on hand to score the winning (and only) goal for his side. At 2.15 it's off home and the task of packing a coach's gear and papers — and of course a meal with the family. At 4, Sandra and the kids say their affectionate goodbyes to Vic and he is off to the most intensive part of his day. All the time, one senses, he has not ceased to think of and plan for the game.

Trusty Mike O'Neill is at the airport with the boys' gear and most of the team have arrived at 4.30 for the 5.10 flight. Steve Hoszowski has notified Vic that he will be arriving late — so there is a matter for concern. Bookings on the aircraft are checked with duty director, George Donda. Greetings with the players are exchanged. One, two cigarettes are lit and puffed more pensively when, if the flight had been on time, the boarding time comes and passes, with four players absent. As if there is not enough to worry about! Vic engages in conversation but is watching the entrance. Steve Hoszowski arrives — one less to worry about. Finally, the missing three turn up and Vic wastes no time in reprimanding them for their tardiness. The plane is running late, but had it been on time there could have been some embarrassment for the slackers. Vic receives congratulations on his citizenship and a good deal of ribbing on his haircut for the occasion. Theo Moulis also has had a haircut and the two embrace and cast grave imputations on the abilities of their respective hairdressers. The tension breaks, but only for a moment.

On the flight to Sydney, I sat with Vic and had a worried reaction when, before the plane had turned onto the main runway, Vic reached for the air-sickness bag. Is he a poor flyer? The broad grin allays my fears: 'No, come on; I'm just going to work out the room arrangements for the night'. So, as the TAA DC9 thrusts itself skyward, Isaac Farrell marvels again at the joys of flying,

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Team Squads



CANBERRA CITY
COLOURS: BLUE AND GOLD

1. STEVE HOSZOWSKI
2. DANNY MOULIS
3. MIKE MILOVANOVIC
4. STEVE HOGG
5. HARRY WILLIAMS
- 6.. LUIS SALGADO
- 7.. JOE ARQUERO
- 8.. IVAN GRUICIC
9. TERRY BYRNE
10. JOHN DAVIES
11. PHIL REIS
12. KENI KAWALEVA
13. GEORGE BAILEY
14. ISAAC FARRELL
15. ROY STARK
16. JOHN BROWN (Captain)
17. DONALD MacLAREN
18. JIM CANT
19. BERNARD LUSTICA
20. DAVID LINDENMAYER

COACH: Vic Fernandez

REFEREE: Mr Des Miles
LINESMEN: Mr Glyn Davies
Mr Vince Celestino



NEWCASTLE KB UNITED
COLOURS: GREEN,
WHITE & BROWN

1. PHIL DANDO
2. PETER WILLIS
3. NEAL ENDACOTT
4. CRAIG MASON
5. BILL SUMMERSCALES
6. ROY DRINKWATER
7. ARNO BERTOOGNA
8. IAN SEDDON
9. KENNY BODEN
10. GRAHAM HEYS
11. DAVID JONES
12. JOE SENKALSKI
13. KEVAN KEELAN
14. JOHN SNEDDON
15. COL CURRAN
16. PETER TREDINNICK
17. JIM McBREEN
18. MICHAEL BOOGAARD
19. MALCOLM McCLELLAND
20. JIM PRESTON
21. KEITH HARRIS
22. BRETT COWBURN

COACH: Alan Vest

A.C.T. PRIMARY SCHOOLS KNOCKOUT COMPETITION GRAND FINAL

WEETANGERA

- ALAN DUNN 1
- KEVIN DUNN 2
- ALEX CORVO 3
- JOSEPH VISCUT 4
- WARREN COATES 5
- JONATHAN PRICE 6
- TIM XIRAKIS 7
- ANDREW MUIRHEAD 8
- ANDREW DAWSON 9
- MICHAEL NORTH 10
- DOUGLAS MacDONALD 11
- DAVID STARKEY 12
- COACH: JOHN WHITLEY 13

SOUTH CURTIN

- JEFF BROWNE
- STEWART WOOD
- DEAN TREGENZA
- JOHN GLOVER
- SEAN GRIMES
- GEOFF LOVE
- ADAM CLARKSON
- SIMON WYNDEMAN
- ANDREW SHABI
- BRUCE NANCARROW
- DAVID BRODERICK
- ANTHONY GIANNIS
- PETER PRELLER
- COACH: GEOFF HUTCHISON

Today's grand finalists are playing for the Canberra City Cup, a perpetual trophy, which was presented for the first time last season. It was won at the second attempt by Weetangera after its first clash with the Pearce Primary School team resulted in a draw. Thirty-two local primary schools compete in the competition.

A.C.T. FEDERATION CUP FINAL

CANBERRA CITY ROOS

Colours: Blue & Gold

- GLEN HAVELOCK 1
- PETER CHEYNE 2
- MARK FRANCIS 3
- CRAIG O'NEILL 4
- HARRY WILLIAMS 5
- STEVE HOGG 6
- PHIL REIS 7
- KEITH WHITE 8
- JOE ARQUERO 9
- ALAN REIS 10
- FRANK LOESCHNAUER 11
- IVAN GRUICIC 12
- DAVID LINDENMAYER 13
- 14
- 15

COACH: PETAR VIDOVIC

REFEREE: Mr. Ken Allen

LINESMEN: Mr. D. Lindh, Mr. P. Murphy

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- JIMMY TSOKIOS
- MIKE BLACK (Captain)
- GEORGE KYRGIOS
- CHRIS MICHAELS
- RUDI AIONO
- CHRIS BOWMAN
- LEO KENNEDY
- JOHN DOW
- ANGELO TRISIOGANIS
- JOHN LEA
- RAID SALAH
- MARK PEARCE
- GRAEME PEARCE
- COACH: ERROL COHEN

TODAY'S BALLBOYS ARE FROM THE MARIST COLLEGE JUNIORS

The Marist College is one of two Canberra schools taking part in the regular weekend competition. The college is a Catholic boys school comprising primary and secondary sections. The Primary section takes boys from grade 4 upwards and the Secondary section caters for high school students up to form 6. The 1979 enrolment is in excess of 1,300. Sport is seen as an integral part of the life of the college and a variety of winter and summer sports are offered for the benefit of the students.

In keeping with the spirit of the college, soccer was offered for the first time in 1977 when 8 teams ranging from under 9 to under 12 were

registered within the ACT Soccer Federation Junior League. Most of the students forming those teams were playing soccer for the first time and the majority of the teams finished the first year down the ladder. In 1978, soccer registrations exceeded 160 and the under 10 Division II team won the premiership.

To permit as many boys as possible to participate in sporting activities, the college charges only \$4 a year registration. This does not cover even team registration and, therefore, the college relies very heavily on the support of business houses in order to continue the opportunity for its students to participate in weekend sport. Anyone wishing to assist may send contributions to the Sports Master, Marist College, Melrose Drive, Pearce, ACT, 2607.



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TODAY'S PROGRAM

- 11.30 a.m. ACT Primary Schools Knockout Competition Grand Final
Weetangera versus South Curtin (25 minute halves, 5 minute half time)
- 12.45 p.m. ACT Federation Cup Final – **CANBERRA CITY ROOS v DOWNER OLYMPIC**
(45 minute halves, 5 minutes half time)
- 2.20 p.m. Full time and presentation
- 2.30 p.m. Burns Club Pipe Band
- 2.35 p.m. **THE WOWDIES**
- 2.45 p.m. Team introduced
- 3.00 p.m. **CANBERRA CITY v NEWCASTLE KB UNITED**
- 3.45 p.m. Half time. Presentation of Canberra City Perpetual Cup Trophy to winner of
ACT Primary Schools Knockout Competition Grand Final
(Presentation by Mr. Len Tuohy, from the A.C.T. Schools Authority)
Supporters Club raffle draw.
Burns Club Pipe Band
- 4.00 p.m. Second Half.
- 4.45 p.m. Full time.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

The Player of the Year competition has only a few weeks to go and the rivalry among our players is becoming so intense that, for the semi-final match against Adelaide City, Vic Fernandez, for the first time that we know of, split the 6 points five ways. Vic commented: 'The reasons why I have done this are that the competition is getting so close and sometimes more than 3 players deserve recognition and you cannot split them. I sometimes wish I had more points to give away'.

The players are vying for a week's holiday for two at Surfers Paradise. The competition is sponsored by Trans-Australia Airlines, Tara Holiday Village and Brian Pollock Motors. Several rounds have been declared 'mystery matches' and the points awarded to players in them will not be known until the end of season presentation night. The latest point allocations are:

Round Nineteen: (v Brisbane City)

- 3 Mike Milovanovic
- 2 Danny Moulis
- 1 John Brown

Deferred Match:

Canberra City v Marconi (Mystery Round)

Round Twenty: (v APIA—Leichhardt)

- 3 John Davies
- 2 John Brown
- 1 Mike Milovanovic

Philips Cup Semi Final (v Adelaide City)

- 2 Steve Hoszowski
- 1 John Brown
- 1 Jim Cant
- 1 Keni Kawaleva
- 1 Danny Moulis

The progress points table now reads: 17 John Davies; 15 John Brown, Mike Milovanovic; 14 Roy Stark; 12 Steve Hoszowski; 10 Terry Byrne; 8 Jim Cant, Isaac Farrell; 6 Ian Callaghan; 5 Paul Fielding; 3 Ivan Gruicic, Danny Moulis; 2 Luis Salgado; 1 Steve Hogg, Keni Kawaleva.

Editor's suggestion: Now that Ian Callaghan and Paul Fielding have departed, why not allocate the 11 points they have tallied among the backbone of the team — those blokes who are turning out week after week.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT FUND MEMBERS

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PLAYERS PROFILE



JOHN BROWN

Born	30.6.49 in Munster
Married	to Lorna
Wife born	15.10.54 in Galashields
Children	Natasha, born 9.5.78
Height & Weight	1.80m & 72kg
Current occupation	Assistant Surveyor
Joined Canberra City	March 1977
Other clubs played for	East London (South Africa) 1974 to 1976 Berwick Rangers — 1970 to 1974 St. Mirren — 1969 to 1970 Hearts — 1967 to 1969
Positions played	Plays all positions, prefers sweeper.
Representative honours	Scottish Youth Team in 1965
Other sports played	Squash
Major injuries	Broken arm in 1978
Most memorable match played	Hearts vs Celtic in 1969
Favourite foreign team	Rangers
Favourite foreign player	Ken Dalglish
Favourite local player	Tony Henderson
Likes	Rod Stewart, Charles Angels, Charles Bronson and Snooker.

All too frequently when John Brown receives the ball and he doesn't belt it down field, as many fans would wish him to do, the boos roll down from the stand. That seemed as good a point as any to start with John and his response was typical of the man's approach to the game.

'I know that at the beginning of the season copped some criticism. I was not playing so well. But I have picked up since then and I think many people are coming to understand that aspect. You see, I always try to hold the ball and find a man. That has caused problems once or twice, but that is the way I have always played since I was a kid. I hold the ball until someone is in a good position and then kick it to his feet rather than put a ball up the park in the hope someone will get to it. Look at what happened in our mid-week match against Marconi. If you can play the ball to your man when you get possession from a strong attacking side, spaces can be created. I look for those spaces up front'.

Crowds do not really affect John. He has been in top level soccer for 12 or 13 years and played before 35,000 to 40,000 people when his team Hearts clashed with Celtic. 'Talk about noisy — and you know how one-eyed Celtic supporters are!' Regrettably, in Australia he finds only Canberra and Newcastle KB United crowds give their teams the vocal support they enjoy and which are so much a part of the game overseas. 'With some of the ethnic clubs, I would say you hardly hear the supporters at all'.

In common with so many other players, John longs for the day when full time professionalism reaches Australia.

On the vexed subject of match officials John believes that this season most of the trouble for Canberra City has been linesmen. He mentions the well documented incidents against Adelaide City and Sydney City earlier in the season, the latter in his words being 'the classic'. He is full of praise for the Canberra members of the PSL panel. 'Both Bob Mee and Ken Allen are as good as any in the League' is his summation.

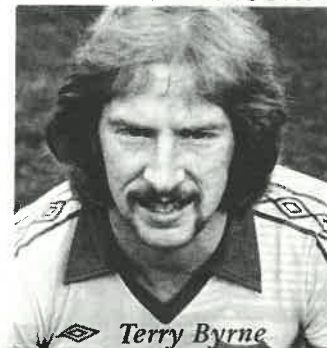
John sees his future in Canberra. 'I have applied for permanent residency in Australia and I have no intention to leave Canberra. I would be happy to play another two seasons here and run up 100 appearances plus for Canberra City. Perhaps I would finish up in the local league as, when I finish with the PSL side, I would like to turn my attention to coaching'.

John is a good, solid club and team man. From the experience gained in Scotland, further developed in South Africa and now showing in his performances for Canberra City, John provides the hardheadedness and stability that all teams need — the player who at one moment as the last line of defence stops threatening sorties and in the next sets up the attacking pattern for his side. In that role, John's contribution is invaluable. He is one of the team's most valuable assets.

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and the friendly hostesses make the boys acquaintance, discuss the game and wish them luck. Vic is pairing off the players for their shared overnight accommodation. In flight, Vic is concerned at the lateness of the departure and laments the semi-professional nature of Australian soccer. He believes it is unfair on the team that they must come straight from work to the airport and then to the game. But that is the way at this stage of soccer's development in Australia. Vic then discusses the game and the importance he attaches to the Philips Cup match in a week and a half's time. Soon the lights of Sydney are visible and we are on the ground.

In the terminal, Vic leads the team quickly to the luggage area. Contact is made with the bus driver and Charles Perkins, President of the Club, is on hand to travel with the team to Bossley Park. Vic and George Donda secure the baggage, see all the boys on the bus, and it is full speed ahead to the ground and 'don't spare the horses'. The driver announces the trip will take just over the hour. Vic winces at the news. That means we will be there after 7 pm for a 7.30 kickoff. It's not on: it will be a late start! On the trip, the players are strangely silent, deep in their own thoughts of the attacking might of their opponents. Vic sits alone, gazing through a window, but unseeing, so deep is his thought. Steve Hoszowski knows the way better than the driver in the last few miles and proudly points up the street where his mother is living. Finally the ground is reached and the bus disgorges its charges.

Vic is approached by many wellwishers. Politely he acknowledges their attention, all the time moving the players towards the dressing room. Tony Henderson beams at his former teammates and has a greeting for them. The players and coach enter the dressing room which is as small and austere as the Marconi Club is large and palatial. Those visiting the ground for the first time are staggered at the size and bareness of the facility. Vic is no nonsense. 'Right, let's get changed and warmed up, boys', he shouts above

the hub-bub; but several players have already slipped out for that all necessary feel of the pitch. On their return, they comment on its lack of firmness and hurriedly appropriate changes are made to footwear plans as sturdier footing gear is required.

An official enters to announce that Marconi has taken the field and is warming up. Canberra City WILL be right for a 7.30 kick off, he inquires, more as a statement than a question. 'No way', responds Vic. 'We only got here at ten past seven. Quarter to eight kickoff'. So, the players change. Waiting for them, of course, is the evergreen Ian Callaghan, probably wondering whether he would be a one man team, so late did the players arrive. How different, he comments later, from the English setup. Vic has some sharp words for one young player over his footwear, little aware that later another player will miss his opportunity to substitute because his boots are not appropriate.

Vic dismisses Marconi's presence on the pitch as part of Les Schieflug's tactics. Now, Vic moves among the players, reminding each one of the role he expects of him. It has all happened before; but they hear him with respect and nod agreement to his encouragement and advice. The referee checks on a starting time and the players' boots are passed by the match officials. The adrenalin is now pumping. The players are doing their warm up exercises. Soccer balls thump against concrete walls. It is time. The crowd is expectant, the Marconi fans confident. A strong contingent of the faithful from Canberra are colouring the stand and when their team appears the familiar chant and cries of support echo through the night.

Vic Fernandez is on the field with his players, giving that all important final word of encouragement or direction. But the time for loosening up on the pitch is restricted by the late start. The referee whistles up the teams. The toss is made. Vic retires, with the reserves, to the coach's bench. The teams line up and for Vic and his counterpart the most important period of the day commences as the whistle blows and the ball is struck for the first time.

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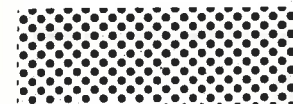
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Penalty Shots

Many thanks to the Club faithful, **Barry Venn**, for helping out when the Supporters Club found its bus for the trip to the APIA-Leichhardt match a fortnight ago over-booked. Barry drove three of the City gang to Sydney and, although his Sunbird didn't have the appointment of Murray's Superbus, it certainly provided a relaxing trip for all concerned. Well done, Barry.

Recently the local press has been full of stories of wailing and gloom about decreased TAB funds for the local racing industry. Keen students of form from Canberra who attended the match at Sydney's Wentworth Park Greyhound track against APIA-Leichhardt nodded knowingly to each other as they saw the portents of an odds-on cert in a future event at the puppies. So, the ACT TAB had better be warned that there will soon be a massive Canberra City raid on its holdings.

The clues were totally innocent. Kids Squad Leader Chris Kunz, looking like a modern day Pied Piper, led a gang of Junior Members to the far side of the ground to string up the Canberra City banner. In doing so, he traversed the hallowed green track in a clockwise direction and, as he started from box 1, easily outstripped the younger fry. The consternation that his excursion onto the doggies domain caused was incredible to behold. Two officials were despatched to remonstrate with our lad but they accepted his explanation that the sole purpose of the sprint was to erect the Blue and Gold banner. He was informed though of the sacred nature of the turf and, as if to prove the point, had his attention directed to the sort of pitch reserved for the two legged stars — the outstanding surface of Wentworth Park — one grade lower than the surface of the moon and twice as divoted. The buzzing crowd of 728 (where the blazes the other 3,000 allegedly in attendance were hidden is beyond our ken) was enthralled by the *divertissement*, but, other than those in the know, little realised the truth behind the incident.

Now, promise you won't tell anyone, but these are the tips: As you all know, Chris hangs around a lot with dogs — well, one in particular,

BARNABAS, although the shaggy one is loath to acknowledge Chris's importance in his life. What has that to do with the Wentworth Park run? Well, Barnabas has been clocked over 100 metres at a brisk 4.3 seconds — and that was without wind or Chris assistance. And he was in full pelt. Rumour has it that every morning a grand old English sheepdog can be seen at the ACT Greyhound track sprinting after a lure (disguised as an Adelaide linesman) and steadily increasing his condition and form. Also, his fur is being trimmed. Now, a completely bald Barnabas would be a pretty horrible sight; but, boy, wouldn't he be the Phar Lap of the canine world? Would he ever! So, now you know. Chris was testing the water — or should we say the track — for his fleet footed four legged friend. Watch the form guides and race day programmes for Barnabas's debut. And be on the winner! He can't lose.

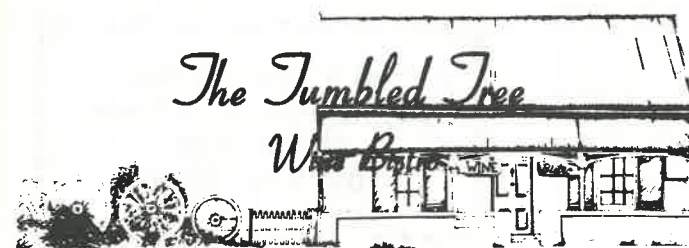
PAWNOTE: Barnabas has asked us to inform you that there is no truth in the story that Chris has offered to act as lure in his maiden appearance. 'After all', woofed our mighty mascot, 'He's been my bunny all year!'

Club Director Bill Arnold whose responsibilities include our Football League teams and liaising with the ACT Soccer Federation did a job above and beyond the call of duty three weeks ago when the Canberra City League sides played ANU. For the Wallabies and Roos matches, Bill was a linesman. If the players were not caught offside, he frequently was. His lament was that the Sanyo pedometer worn by Bob Mee in the match against Brisbane City was wasted: Bill says he trotted miles and then had to search out an after hours chemist for advice on relief for aching muscles.

Finally, brethren, when you return to your dwellings this evening and give praise for the wonder of refrigeration as you crack the tinnies in salute to today's game, the players and several club officials (and Tony Henderson) beg that you pause for a moment and pay silent tribute to one of God's fallen creatures — John Brown's ice chest in Kings Cross!

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A special welcome today to the Newcastle KB United supporters. Relations between the two supporters clubs have been close and cordial since the 'Geordies' first visited Canberra early last year. It was probably this immediate friendship between supporters that led to the 'sister club' relationship that now exists between us. Many people ask why a City and United scarf, knotted together, hang behind the main bar in the club. The official reason given is that this is the knot of eternal friendship, the symbolic uniting of the first two city based non ethnic clubs in the PSL. There is a second set of scarfs held by Newcastle supporters which they display for the same purpose. Its a nice story and told well can bring a tear to a glass eye. The real story is that last year the two Supporter Club Presidents discussed common interests with the aid of a bottle of gin before last years PM Cup Final. Come the half time raffle draw they decided to make the draw together, so the balance of the committees had to knot scarfs together to hold them up for the ceremony. Later, back at the clubhouse, President Evans kept tripping over his double length scarf, so it was slung behind the bar and forgotten about. The Newcastle double length scarf was, we believe, used as a giant chunder bag on the return journey. Despite this short tradition, every Canberra fan will tell you his next favourite PSL team is United and we think the Geordies tell us the reverse (talk funny, don't they?)

To Supporters Club members, this is the best game of the year and we would like to wish Newcastle the best of luck for the remainder of the season. (This wish does not become effective until 5 p.m. this afternoon).

ONE LAST BORDER TO CROSS

Next week City play Sydney Olympic at Pratten Park in Sydney, and for all you hoodoo followers, Olympic have never beaten City in Sydney. This is the last organised away trip of the season and as usual, buses will depart from the Club at 7.45 a.m. for the game. The last two trips have been little better than a shambles as far as bus bookings were concerned so its back to the old rigid method of booking. A ledger is available at todays game on the Supporters Club stall on the concourse and at the licensed club until Thursday next week. Each page will be numbered from 1 to 45. Put your name down for each seat you want to book, with a deposit of course, and you will get a seat on the bus. No name in the ledger, sorry, no seat. You are at liberty to wait until departure to see if there are any can-

cellations, and can then take these places. If you can't get into the club to make a booking, then try and get a friend to write you in. Bookings cannot be made with a member of the committee, it must be recorded in the ledger. Each additional bus must be two thirds booked up before it can be hired so leave a phone number in case we have some bad news for you. Its first in, first served and this is especially so during the snow season when buses are hard to get. Cost of childrens seats have gone up to \$7 for members and \$8 for non members, but adults prices remain \$11 and \$13 as before. Sorry about this rise so late in the season, but the gap between hiring fee and fares has got a bit too wide to carry. Other than the booking mess-ups, the away trips have all been great entertainment and the 'golden horde' have always been made welcome. Try to make it next week for the last of the season, and please, please us, — book.

OTHER EVENTS

New and interesting raffle prizes today, thanks to Imne Horvath of Daymik Pre-owned furniture in Fyshwick and Brian Riley from Shell Superwash also in Fyshwick. Don't forget the after game drinks in the Media Room, its become part of the regular day out at Bruce Stadium now. More news shortly on the end of season supporters club dance and presentation night at the clubhouse in October. Only about 120 tickets will go on sale so be ready to grab them as soon as they are available. Sales of the windcheaters have been magic. One was worn in the crowd at Adelaide last week which must have been noticed, because we had a query from an Adelaide based supporter who wants one. Talking about far based supporters, our furthest outpost with a sub branch is La Jolla in California. Now thats coverage, eat your heart out Newcastle. Oh by the way, just to remind our guests, records of the Canberra City and Newcastle United club songs (one on each side stupid) are still available at the kiosk.

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WOWDIES

No Canberra City match day presentation would be complete without certain regular features. And probably the most popular of all with the crowd is the thundering appearance of the redoubtable Barnabas, throwing earth skywards in his vain endeavours to escape the mastery of Chris Kunz. But ranking equally with the four legged mascot is the group which adds so much colour to the scene — the Canberra City Wowdies. In recent weeks, spectators have noticed a change in the Wowdies presentation and many queries, much praise and some criticism of the change have resulted.

The Wowdies made their first appearance for Canberra City on Saturday, 24 June, in Canberra City's match against Sydney Olympic although the 3-1 loss that day was certainly nothing for the girls to cheer about. The original idea for the cheer leaders came from Frank Kunz, and Colin McLaughlin and Ron Wilson were instrumental in involving Dianne Slavin, Canberra City's entrant in the Miss Australia Quest this year, in the formation of the group. Most of the girls in the original squad were from Dianne's callisthenics classes and their outfits and routines were a tribute to the hard work that she put into the task of getting the project off the ground and the Wowdies onto the arena.

The Wowdies continued much as before this year until the appearance of the Weston Creek ACT Football League 2nd Division teams, coincidentally as curtain raisers to Canberra City's match against Sydney Olympic on Sunday, 6 May. The Weston Creek players were supported by their own cheer squad, lead by Yvonne Mander-ville. An invitation was extended to the girls to join with the Wowdies and this they did. Reaction from the crowd was mixed, as the additions were certainly noisier than the original squad. That is soon understood when it is explained that Yvonne is an American whose father is in the first, of a three year posting in Australia. Cheer squads in America are traditional and in the schools it is considered an honour to be chosen for such squads. Usually 200 to 300 girls try out for some 10 or 11 positions. Of course cheer squads are but a part of the match support elements which include: high kick teams, bands, drum majorettes etc.

Sensing a role for an expanded Wowdies unit, Director of Promotions, Ron Wilson, arranged for the two groups to meet and practice under the guidance of Yvonne. Routines were worked out and perfected. Much hard work has gone into the polished performance which fans now see before each match. The Wowdies now find themselves

with a 10 minute spot. Yvonne is captain of the squad and is ably assisted by co-captain Carol Dubberley. Dianne continues her commitment to the girls as manageress.

Yvonne believes that more involvement with the crowd will be the result of the new routines. She sees the girls as a link between the players on the field and the supporters in the stand. And it is her wish to see that link even more firmly established with the girls reacting to chanting, song singing and the famous Canberra City vocal roars to encourage the team as it battles for supremacy.

The activities of the Wowdies are not confined to Bruce Stadium though. Last year several appearances were made at various shopping centres and this year the group has been to Cooleman Court and the Belconnen Mall in promotions associated with appearances by Ian Callaghan. Of course, as in all activities, finance is an important factor and it is not inappropriate to mention here that the Wowdies are keen to secure a sponsor for their activities. Anyone interested in such a sponsorship is invited to contact Ron Wilson through the Canberra City Soccer Club (48 8917).

Meanwhile so that you might give the girls that much needed moral support as they perform, may we repeat the words of the Club song. Join in and raise the rafters (not forgetting that those brilliant performers from Newcastle KB United will be seeking to outdo our efforts today). Let the battle commence. The only winner will be Australian soccer.

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those imponderables in any sport. 'If only', we hear people say. How many times do you see the 'stars' miss what seem to be easy shots. Until the ball is in the net, there is no easy shot.

Three games in a week put great pressure on any team. Players must adapt their week to the demands of such a campaign. We usually work our normal week and train according to the formula I have devised. The routine makes the body fit. With a midweek game, players must understand the overtime worked by the body and adjust their lifestyles accordingly. In our match against APIA-Leichhardt, we finished the game running well, and there were no cramps, for instance. But we were tired and our play was not sharp enough. It is always important to be fresh for any clash. We missed some chances, especially one by Terry Byrne. He could not have had a better opportunity. We all know of the abilities of Greg Woodhouse, but he was not called upon to make many saves. John Davies was the star of the match — from either side — and I was impressed also by Terry Butler and Peter Stone who had sound games. Stone could sense that our mid-field was broken and he joined his forwards several times. Bobby McGinn was good value too. But Butler was the engine for the team; he worked so hard.

I must mention the wonderful assistance that has been given to us all season in Sydney by Peter Van Ryn who was masseur for our national squads for nearly 20 years. He has had many offers from PSL sides to join them, but he has declined. He works so well for us and I am deeply appreciative of his work with the team.

Adelaide has not been kind to us this year, but I went there for the Philips Cup match with a

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP NEWS

In the four July school tours by the Kids Squad, the appearances by the players were: 2—Ivan Gruicic, Donald MacLaren, Mike Milovanovic, Danny Moulis, Craig Muir

1—Ian Callaghan, John Davies, Isaac Farrell, Paul Fielding.

Ian Callaghan and I also dropped in at the Mawson Primary and did a short coaching session at the Canberra Grammar Senior School. The schools visited by the Kids Squad were: Weetangera, Holt, Evatt and St. Judes Primary. The most promising boy and girl were Brian Stewart, a third grade goalkeeper from St. Judes and Jenny Pearlman, a fourth grader from Holt. At their schools during the week they were presented with a pair of boots each (Canberra City autographed) and honorary junior membership cards by Dunlop's Canberra representative Maurice Longstaff and me.

CHRIS KUNZ
Kid's Squad Leader

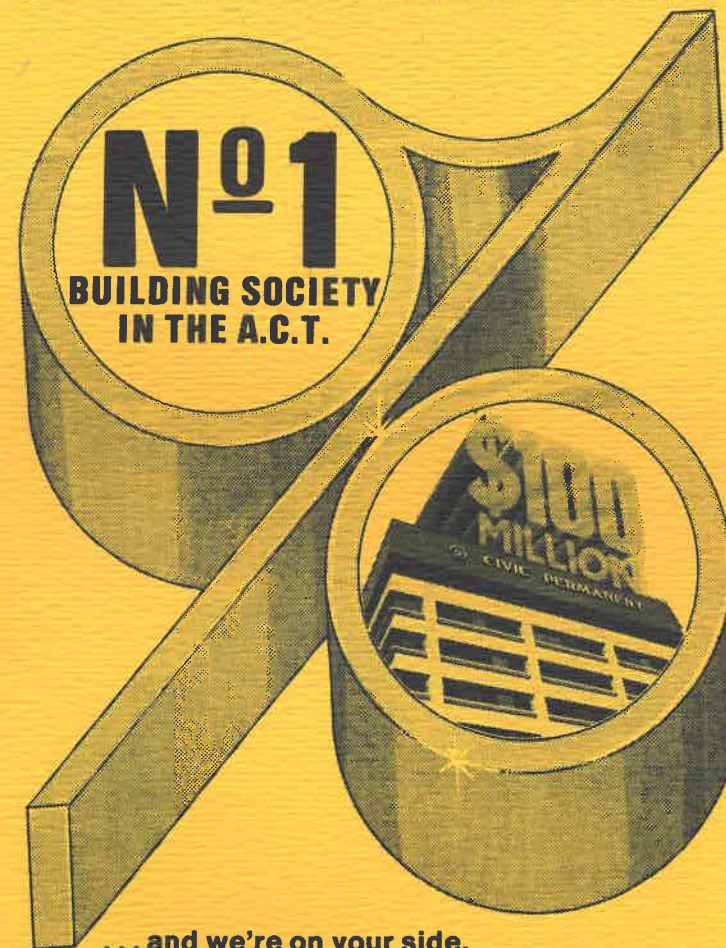
good feeling, believing that the boys could win the game. I have returned knowing that my feelings were right. We did not win but the boys played the way I asked them to play and they were very good. Some goals are accidents. From my position at the ground, I cannot comment on the goal by Adelaide City which caught us by surprise in the third or fourth minute but some people told us there that it was offside. The bounce beat us in what were really bad conditions with a very heavy pitch. We built up from that initial setback and just before half time everything really started to work with Isaac moving forward and Don MacLaren on the right wing. In the second half, I subbed George Bailey on the right wing for Luis Salgado and the midfield came back to normal — Jim, Isaac and Johnny — with George, Terry and Donald at the front.

I was terribly proud of the effort by the boys in the second half. They went for every ball. Adelaide City would have the ball for a pass or two and then we would reclaim it. The boys really fired well. Adelaide City threatened only twice and the ball hit the crossbar on each occasion. When I spoke to the boys after the match and offered them for Tuesday a restful session at the Kippax sports centre or a night's training, they discussed it and opted for the hard training. With that sort of spirit, we will give a good account of ourselves against Newcastle.

This is my first column since I took out my Australian citizenship. To the many people who have taken the time to pass their best wishes to me, I say from the bottom of my heart 'Thank you'. To all those people who have christened me 'Blue', 'Sport', 'Ocker' and all the other wonderful Aussie-isms, all I can say is: 'It's bewdy bottler, mates!!!'



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